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In re Application of:

THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF
CALIFORNIAInternational Application No.:
PCT/US99/06700International Filing Date:
26 March 1999For: NOVEL HIV INTEGRASE
INHIBITORS AND HIV THERAPY
BASED ON DRUG COMBINATIONS
INCLUDING INTEGRASE
INHIBITORS

Attn: Examiner R. Travers

5 June 2000

Los Angeles, California 90071

**WRITTEN REPLY and
AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 66**Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Dear Sir:

Applicant makes the following Written Reply to the International Preliminary Examining Authority concerning their First Written Opinion MAILED on 03 May 2000. Applicant believes that the Opinion as it now stands does not correctly characterize the application. The following remarks explain Applicant's understanding of the prior art, and Applicant's amendments made in light of the Written Opinion of 03 May 2000.